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NEWS TIPS

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RAPID CITY, S.D. – The following are news tips from the South Dakota National Guard:

Delegation of Suriname VIPs visiting South Dakota

Thursday, June 16, Sioux Falls (Joe Foss Field), 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

A delegation of Suriname leaders will be traveling Sioux Falls today to visit with Air National Guard leadership from the 114th Fighter Wing at Joe Foss Field. The South Dakota National Guard formally established a state partnership program (SPP) with Suriname in August, 2006. The SPP continues to build economic, educational, civic and community partnerships mutually beneficial to both countries. This visit from top officials in Suriname this week here in S.D. is an opportunity to foster the relationships and continue to develop future military, economic and non-governmental engagements in a variety of areas. Media is encouraged to attend. For more information please contact Lt. Col. John Weber, Directorate of Plans for the SDNG, at (605) 431-3123.

Friday, June 17, Pierre, 10:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

A delegation of Suriname leaders will be traveling Pierre tomorrow to visit with Gov. Dennis Daugaard at the Capital. After visiting with Gov. Daugaard, the delegation will visit the EOC (emergency operations center) to visit with personnel about emergency response and how South Dakota handles natural disasters like the flooding along the Missouri River. The South Dakota National Guard formally established a state partnership program (SPP) with Suriname in August, 2006. The SPP continues to build economic, educational, civic and community partnerships mutually beneficial to both countries. This visit from top officials in Suriname this week here in S.D. is an opportunity to foster the relationships and continue to develop future military, economic and non-governmental engagements in a variety of areas. Media is encouraged to attend. For more information please contact Lt. Col. John Weber, Directorate of Plans for the SDNG, at (605) 431-3123.

Friday, June 17, Rapid City, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

A delegation of Suriname leaders will be in Rapid City tomorrow evening for a social event to be hosted by the South Dakota National Guard and the Rapid City Chamber of Commerce Diplomat committee at the Canyon Lake Chophouse at 5:30 p.m. The South Dakota National Guard formally established a state partnership program (SPP) with Suriname in August, 2006. The SPP continues to build economic, educational, civic and community partnerships mutually beneficial to both countries. This visit from top officials in Suriname this week here in S.D. is an opportunity to foster the relationships and continue to develop future military, economic and non-governmental engagements in a variety of areas. Media is encouraged to attend. For more information please contact Lt. Col. John Weber, Directorate of Plans for the SDNG, at (605) 431-3123.